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454313-2340.2AMENDMENT

It is respectfully requested that the application be amended without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents, as follows. Attached hereto is a marked up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by this amendment. The attachment is captioned "Version With Markings to Show Changes Made."

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims, without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents, as follows:

- D1
1. (Thrice amended) A composition for reducing viral load of porcine circovirus-2 (PCV-2) in a pig comprising a pharmaceutically or veterinarily or medically acceptable carrier and an active agent comprising a vector containing and expressing an exogenous nucleotide sequence, wherein the nucleotide sequence encodes a PCV-2 polypeptide.
2. (Thrice amended) A composition for reducing viral load of PCV-2 comprising a pharmaceutically or veterinarily or medically acceptable carrier and an active agent comprising a vector containing and expressing an exogenous nucleotide sequence, wherein the nucleotide sequence encodes a PCV-2 antigen.
- D2
24. (Twice amended) The composition of claims 1 or 2, wherein the vector contains and expresses an ORF selected from the group consisting of ORFs 1 to 13 of a PCV-2 strain.
25. (Amended) The composition of claim 17 wherein the vector contains and expresses an ORF selected from the group consisting of ORFs 1 to 13 of a PCV-2 strain.
- D3
31. (Thrice amended) A method for reducing viral load of porcine circovirus-2 (PCV-2) in a pig comprising inducing an immunological or immunogenic response against PCV-2 in the pig comprising administering to the pig the composition of claim 1.
32. (Thrice amended) A method for reducing viral load of PCV-2 in a pig comprising inducing an immunological or immunogenic response against PCV-2 in the pig comprising administering to the pig the composition of claim 2.
- D4
54. (Twice amended) The method of claims 31 or 32, wherein the vector contains and expresses an ORF selected from the group consisting of ORFs 1 to 13 of a PCV-2 strain.
55. (Twice amended) The method of claim 47, wherein the vector contains and expresses an ORF selected from the group consisting of ORFs 1 to 13 of a PCV-2 strain.

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63. (Amended) The method of claims 31 or 32, wherein the pig is a pregnant female pig.

Please cancel claims 4-6, 8, 12-16, 30, 34-36, 38, 42, 65-90 and 94-107 without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents. Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications drawn to non-elected subject matter.